



Atty. Dkt. No. 016790-0422

RCE #
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Holger BIRK, et al

Title: ARRANGEMENT FOR EXAMINING MICROSCOPIC
PREPARATIONS WITH A SCANNING MICROSCOPE, AND
ILLUMINATION DEVICE FOR A SCANNING MICROSCOPE

Appl. No.: 09/881,062

Appl. Filing Date: June 15, 2001

Examiner: M. Robinson

Art Unit: 2872

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Enclosed are:

[X] Amendment/Reply.

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| | Claims as Amended | Previously Paid For | Extra Claims Present | Rate | Fee Totals |
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| RCE Fee 1.17(e) | | | | \$770.00 | \$770.00 |
| Total Claims: | 27 | - 33 | = 0 | x \$18.00 | = \$0.00 |
| Independents: | 7 | - 7 | = 0 | x \$86.00 | = \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | + \$290.00 | = \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: = | | | | | \$770.00 |

☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$110.00 | \$110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$420.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the third month: | \$950.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,480.00 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,010.00 | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL: | | | \$110.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: | | | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL | | | \$110.00 |
| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | | \$880.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | | \$880.00 |

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$880.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$880.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Date

12/1/03

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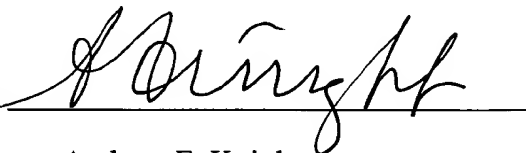
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